(Rs. in lakhs)

	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Plan	3,50	2,19	3,62
Non Plan	21,74	20,13	13,70
TOTAL	25,24	22,32	17,32

(b) At present there is no proposal to increase the normal grants to NCERT.

Educational Institutions in Maharashtra and Punjab

1356. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH KALYAN :
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) what are the names of the educational Institutions recognised by NCERT in Maharashtra and Punjab; and

(b) what is the procedure for any educational research institute to associate itself with the NCERT ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) The NCERT has informed that it works in collaboration with state level educational institutions including those of Maharashtra and Punjab for qualitative improvement in the field of school education. It does not grant any affiliation or recognition to educational institutions.

(b) According to the NCERT, any institution registered under the Societies Registration Act in force and having facilities for research, development, training, extension and other activities related to improvement in school education can associate itself with the Council on a request for a specific purpose. The NCERT has a Standing Committee called Educational Research and Innovations Committee (ERIC) which promotes research by providing financial assistance and training opportunities to research scholars through courses in research methodology and by offering research fellowships for pursuing research at doctoral level in the areas of school and teacher education.

UNICEF Grant to NCERT

1357. SHRI V. RAJESHWAR RAO :
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount of UNICEF grant given to NCERT during the last three years;

(b) to what use these grants are being put; and

(c) whether any evaluation of the utilisation of these grants have been recently made and what are the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) A total of about Rs. 68.38 lakhs was received by NCERT from UNICEF as cash and supply assistance during the last three years.

(b) These grants were used for implementation of programmes viz., Area Intensive Education Project for Human Resource Development (AIEP), Early Childhood Education Programme (ECE), Project Integrated Education for Disabled (PIED) as well as for spill over activities of projects.

(c) UNICEF evaluated the Early Childhood Education (ECE) Programme in 1991. On the basis of evaluation, the project has been extended till 1995. The Area Intensive Education Project for Human Resource Development (AIEP) was reviewed by an external expert after three years of its initiation. On the basis of the review the project was recast and extended till 1995. The revised programme of AIEP has also been extended to more blocks.

Construction of Stadia and Swimming Pools in Colleges

1358. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have rescinded all the earlier schemes to finance building of stadia and swimming pools in colleges on a grant basis and loan basis;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) if not, the details of such schemes presently in operation; and

(d) the details of funds released for construction of stadia and swimming pools in colleges during the last three years, Year-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS : (SHRI MUKUL WASNIK) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Scheme of 'Grants for Games and Sports in Universities and Colleges', inter-alia, provides Central assistance for construction of Indoor/ Outdoor Stadium and swimming pool through University Grants Commission. In case of Agriculture Colleges/University, Medical Colleges, and Engineering Colleges, this grant is disbursed directly by the Department. The Central assistance is provided to meet 75% of the estimated cost of the project subject to stipulated ceilings. As per the scheme, the assistance is disbursed after the grantee has fully spent its share over and above the admissible Central assistance in the cost of the project and submits the documents in support thereof.

(d) 19 Colleges have been assisted through University Grants Commission during the last three years for construction of indoor stadium (gymnasium) as per details given in the enclosed statement.